



Pierceton Echoes

1955





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The
ECHOS
of
Princeton
High

1955

From the Editor:



Dear Schoolmates,

With time goes progress;
with progress goes some-
thing to be remembered.

Our goal is to please
you, to afford you with

a condensed record of your school
life. We the editors, business managers,
photographers, artists, typists, and
sponsor have worked hard to bring this
book to you. We sincerely hope it will
serve you for many years to come.

Finding it impossible to express in
sketches and phrases our true impression
of high school, we invite you to look
behind the pictures - read between the lines.
Only there is it possible to catch a glimpse
of the personalities and activities we know and
love.

Dorothy Steffen



People

Faculty and Staff



MR. HOWARD STOUFFER, PRIN.
Hanover College
Manchester College, A.B.
Indiana University, M.S.

Plane Geometry

a Message from Our Principal

To operate smoothly in a manner pleasing to all, a school needs a strong "esprit de corps"--a sense of union, common interests, and responsibilities.

Every student and faculty member should feel that his position is important and should realize that the moment he neglects his position then other students and other faculty members are concerned. All the parts of a school are necessary and every department, club, and activity has an important place.

I personally appreciate the excellent cooperation I have received from our school board, our fine faculty group, and from the members of the student body. It is my fondest hope that Pierceton will continue to grow in loyalty, cooperation, and educational opportunities.

Howard Stouffer

Mr. Marvin Heaton
Ball State, B.S.
Business Education, Math.,
Physical Education



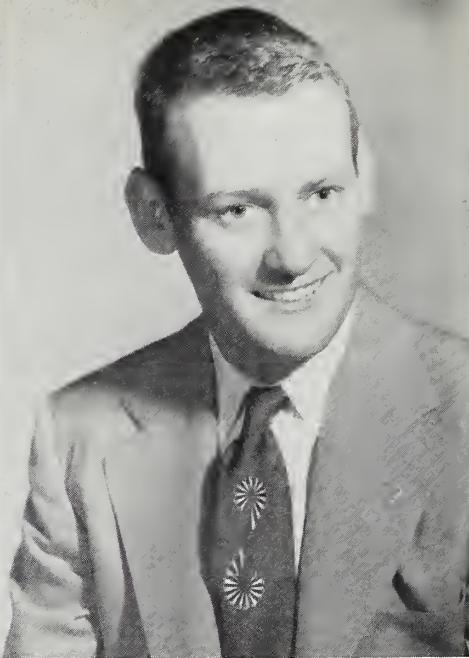
Mr. William Meitzler
Manchester College,
B.S., A.B.
Indiana University
English; Speech



Mr. John Mowrey,
Ass't Prin.
Manchester College, A.B.
Ball State
Mathematics, Shorthand,
Physics



Mr. Sam Nelson
Manchester College, B.S.
Biology, Art, Science,
Agriculture



Mr. Burt Niles, Coach
Manchester College, B.S.
Indiana University, M.S.
Social Studies, Math.,
Physical Education



Mr. Richard Rothgeb
Manchester College, B.S.
Social Studies, Physical
Education

Mr. Robert Smith
Illinois State Normal
University
Goshen College, B.A.
Music Education



Miss Hilda Studebaker
Manchester College, B.S.
English, Drama

Miss Maud Yontz
Manchester College, B.S.
Ball State
Columbia University
English, Library



Janitors



Cooks



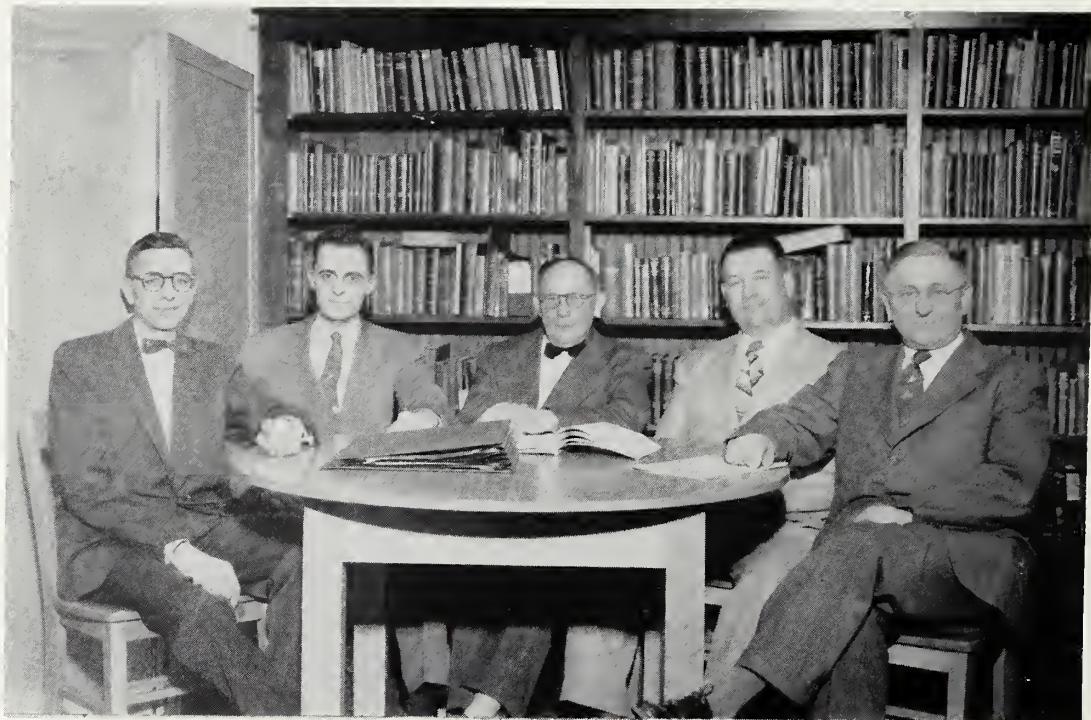
"Alice"



Teachers



School Board



Maynard Spann, Richard Pletcher, James Tuttle, Carl Franks, Walter Warner.

On August 1, 1955, we will be celebrating the third birthday of the Monroe-Washington School Corporation. We have gone a long way since 1952 in cementing this school unit into a working partnership, which has proved very advantageous to both townships.

The members of our first board were President, Richard Pletcher; Secretary, Clifford Sellers; Treasurer, James O. Tuttle. Colonel L. Likens and Maynard Spann made up the balance of the school board. Since 1952, the personnel of the school board has changed from time to time, but we have always been fortunate to have the same high type people directing the affairs of the Corporation. The work of this board has been very unselfish in dealing with the problems of the schools, and at no time has partisan feeling entered into their decisions.

We are confidently looking forward to one of the finest school systems in the county and with the earnest cooperation of all concerned, that aim is assured.

*James O. Tuttle
Trustee*

Seniors

This year the seniors chose the motto "Today Decides Tomorrow" and robin-egg blue and silver as class colors. A red rose was selected as class flower.

The annual "Skip Day" was a trip to Pokagon State Park. Tobogganning, sledding, table tennis, and pool were enjoyed by everyone.

The class of '55 sponsored a combined bingo party and cake-walk as a money raising plan. One gross of fire-extinguishers was also sold by the class. Their last fund making scheme was a turkey raffle held during the Pierceton-Akron basketball game. The profits from these projects went toward the Boersma Train Trip to New York City and Washington D.C.

A visit to Capitol Hill to see the House and Senate Rooms and to watch Congress in session is planned. Mt. Vernon and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers will be seen while in Washington D.C. A boat ride around New York and a sightseeing bus tour is scheduled to give the seniors a prospective view of the city life. The class is also planning to view the inside of a big ocean liner. Two nightclubs are on the list of interests for the seniors-one in Washington and one in New York. Miss Yontz and Mr. Mowrey are to accompany the group on the journey.



CLASS OFFICERS

Jim Stouffer
(President)

Barbara Gebert
(Secretary)

Ted Tinkey
(Vice President)

Don Ring
(Treasurer)

Miss Yontz
(Sponsor)

Mr. Stouffer
(Sponsor)





BOB BAKER

F.H.A. 1
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
Chorus 1

CAROLYN BARNHART



GARY BARNES

Student Council 1,2,3,4
Vice President 4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
"On Borrowed Time" 4
Student Manager 1,2,3,4
Baseball 4



MARY ANN BIRTWHISTLE

P.H.L.C. 3,4
Officer 4
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
Chorus 1,4



JACK BOLINGER

Track 2
Basketball 3
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4
Officer 4



Student Manager 3,4



JUNE ELLEN CARROTHERS

Sidney 1
Class Officer 1
Booster Club 1
Chorus 1
Entered 2
F.H.A. 2,3,4
G.A.A. 2,3,4
P.H.L.C. 3,4
Officer 4
Chorus 2



BARBARA BOWMAN

Chorus 1,2,3,4
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
F.T.A. 2,3,4
Officer 3
President 4
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
Band 1,2,3,4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3



BOB CROUCH

Basketball 4
Baseball 4
Track 4
F.F.A. 1
Chorus 4
Officer 4
Band 1,2,3,4
Student Director 4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
"Student" Staff 4
Camera Club 4

Chorus 1,2,3,4
Vice President 4
Radio Club 2
F.H.A. 2,3,4
Officer 3
President 4
Band 1,2,3,4
Vice President 4
G.A.A. 1,2
"Echoes" Staff 3,4
"Student" Staff 3,4
Feature Editor 4
Student Council 4
Officer 4
Camera Club 4

ETTA DRULEY



MARIETTA DRUDGE

Band 2,3,4
Officer 4
F.H.A. 3,4
Officer 4
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
"Student" Staff 3,4
P.H.L.C. 2,3,4
Officer 2,3
President 4
Thespian Society 3,4
Officer 4
Chorus 1
"One Foot in Heaven" 3





TERRY FARIS

Basketball 3,4
Track 2,3,4,
F.F.A. 1,2,3,4
Vice President 4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3



DANNY ELDER

Chorus 1,2,3,4
"On Borrowed Time" 4



MARGARET FINTON

Chorus 1,4
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
Officer 3,4
F.H.A. 1
P.H.L.C. 2,3,4
Vice President
Radio Club 2
"Student" Staff 3,4



ALLEN GEBERT

BARBARA GEBERT

Chorus 1
Radio Club 1,2
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
Officer 3
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
President 2
Vice President 3
Thespian Society 3,4
Officer 4
Class Officer 2,4
Student Council 2
Officer 2
"Student" Staff 1,2,3,4
Associate Editor 3
Editor 4
Hoosier Girl's State 3





Chorus 1,2,3,4
Student Director 4
"Student" Staff 1,2,3,4
F.H.A. 1,2
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
"On Borrowed Time" 4

SHIRLEY McCONNELL



CAROL HATHAWAY

Band 1,2,3,4
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Officer 2,3
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
President 3
Vice President 4
"Student" Staff 2,3,4
Junior Editor 3
Assistant Editor 4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
Cheerleader 1,2,3,4
Chorus 1



BURL KNOOP

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4



JERRY MELLINGER



CYNTHIA MEIMA

Lyons Twp. School, Ill. 1
High C 1
G.A.A. 1
Chorus 1
Entered Nashville School 2
Chorus 3
Officer 3
S.P.Q.R. 2,3
"Seven Cinderellas" 3
Entered Pierceton 4
Chorus 4
G.A.A. 4
"On Borrowed Time" 4



DARRELL MORT

Baseball 2,3,4
Track 4
"On Borrowed Time" 4

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
Chorus 1
"Student" Staff 3,4
"Miss Pierceton" 3
Queen Attendant 1
"Echoes" Staff 3,4
Thespian Society 3,4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3

CAROL RHINEHART



JACK PHILLIPS

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4



MELBA RHOADES

Chorus 1,2,3,4
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
Officer 3
F.H.A. 1
"Student" Staff 3,4



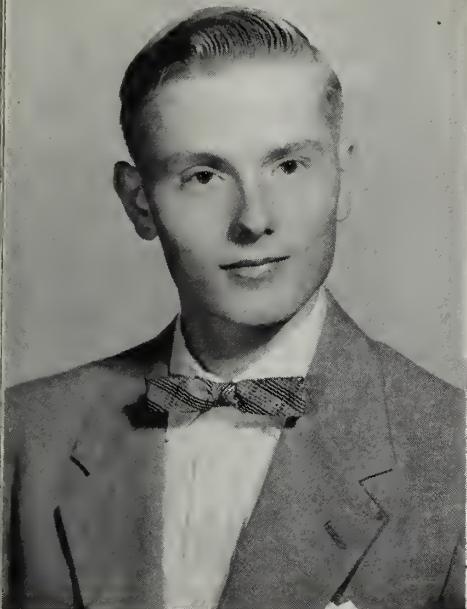
LINDA RIDER

Chorus 1,2,4,
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
Officer 4
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
P.H.L.C. 3,4
"Student" Staff 1



VIRGINIA ROSBRUGH

Sidney 1
Chorus 1
Entered 2
G.A.A. 2,3,4
P.H.L.C. 3,4



G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
Chorus 1
P.H.L.C. 3,4

JACQUELINE SMITH

DON RING

Band 1,2,3
Class Officer 3,4
"Student" Staff 1,2,3,4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
"On Borrowed Time" 4



Bippus High School 1
Sunshine Society 1
Entered 1
Chorus 1,3,4
F.H.A. 3,4
Officer 3
G.A.A. 1
"Echoes" Staff 2,3,4
Assistant Editor 2
Editor 3,4
F.T.A. 2,3,4
Officer 3,4
Thespian Society 3,4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3

DOROTHY STEFFEN

BOB SNYDER

Band 1,2,3,4
Officer 3
Chorus 2,3,4
Radio Club 1,2
F.T.A. 2,3,4
Officer 4
Thespian Society 3,4
"Student" Staff 1,2,3,4
Business Manager 3,4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
"On Borrowed Time" 4
Class Officer 3





JIM STOUFFER

"Student" Staff 2,3,4
"Echoes" Staff 3,4
Business Manager 4
Thespian Society 3,4
President 4
Baseball 2,3,4
Track 2,3,4
Hoosier Boy's State 3
Basketball 2,3,4
Student Council 2,3,4
Vice President 3
President 4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
"On Borrowed Time" 4

MERLENE WERTENBERGER

Chorus 1,2
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Thespian Society 3,4
"Student" Staff 1,2
"One Foot in Heaven" 3



TED TINKEY

Basketball 2,3,4
Track 4
Chorus 1,2,3,4
F.F.A. 1,2,3,
Officer 3
Class Officer 1,2,3,4
"Student" Staff 4
"Echoes" Staff 4
Band 1,2,3,4
Officer 3
President 4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
"On Borrowed Time" 4

BETTY WERTENBERGER

Chorus 1,2,3,4
"Student" Staff 1
Radio Club 1,2
Officer 2
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4
Officer 3,4
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4
Officer 3
Thespian Society 3,4

BARBARA VAN DINE

Band 1,2,3,4
Pep Band 4
Chorus 1,2,3,4
F.H.A. 2,3,4
Officer 4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
Thespian Society 3,4
"Echoes" Staff 4
Radio Club 1,2
Camera Club 4

MURVEL WHITEHEAD

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4
Officer 3,4
"One Foot in Heaven" 3
Chorus 1,2,3,4



"One Foot in Heaven"



"On Borrowed Time"



Juniors



The Junior year is built around sales; Junior Room, cookies, and card sales with which we came through with flying colors.

We started the year off with a big bang by having a hayride on September 17 (Results -- week later one member of the class landed in the hospital -- blame it on the food!)

A few days later our class rings arrived and after the usual swapping, we went on to continue the year shining our prized possessions.

Next we tackled card sales with Sue Henderson's team defeating Paul Smith's. The usual payoff, a chili supper was held.

Then of course the basketball season started and crowd selling began. (If we were once shy, we aren't anymore!)

It is the privilege of the Junior class to choose three candidates for basketball queen. This year the class chose Rosalie Hartman, Marilyn Slaymaker, and Pat Walsh. Rosalie was selected by the student body as our queen for 1954-1955.

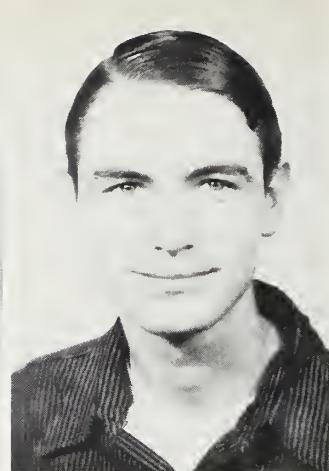
In order to add a little more to our treasury, cookies were sold twice during the year.

We Juniors all agree that this year has gone very fast. Seriously, most of us are looking forward to our senior year, maybe with a little doubt, but if it compares with this year in any way, it will have a happy ending.



CLASS OFFICERS

Pat Walsh
(Secretary)
Mr. Mowrey
(Sponsor)
Sue Henderson
(Treasurer)
Bert Gebert
(President)
Jim Watters
(Vice President)



Denyse Bolt
Dorothy Bowman
Don Clevenger



Larry Cole
Vera Cole
Jim Crouch



Tim Derf
Barbara Drudge
Susie Galbreath



Bertis Gebert
Rosalie Hartman
Sue Henderson

Ruthene Howard



Jeanette Keplinger



Tom Kilgore



Cecil Kissinger



Pat Leckrone



Larry Leedy



Bob Leiter

Carl Morrison

Connie Morrison



Rex Mort

Anita Outcelt

Ted Prescott



Elaine Roberts

Don Sellers

Jack Sellers



Marilyn Slaymaker

Dick Slusher

Uldis Smidchens



Norman Spangle

Paul Smith

Darlene Stahl



Dwight Walgamuth

Pat Walsh

Jim Watters

Pearl Widman

Richard Williamson

Rozella Wince





Sophomores



TWENTY CENTS

FEBRUARY 14, 1955



The class of "57", what a gang!

The teachers look at us and say

Bang, Bang, Bang!(Just kidding)

We do have fun, but we also believe in working. We the future seniors of "57" have been toiling diligently to obtain some of that green stuff called money. We added to our treasury, a sum of \$477.93 which had been collected from selling magazines. Judy Stouffer and Bill O'Dell were the lucky classmates receiving the salesmanship watches, as their token for superior salesmanship.

A magazine and class party have highlighted our joyous year which practically never had a dull moment!

After ordering our sparkly classrings we consider ourselves prepared for the Junior year ahead of us.

CLASS OFFICERS

Kenneth Fawley
(Vice President)

Sandra Salman

(President)

Mr. Reed

(Sponsor)

Thelma Conley
(Sec't.-Treas.)





Marion Phillips



Richard Phillips



Julia Ratliff



Gayle Reese



Rex Rhinehart



Jim Rutherford



Sandra Salman



Rachael Shenefield



Ellis Shepherd



John Slusher



Janet Smith



Carol Snyder



Charlotte Steiner



Judy Stouffer



Bob Tenney



Ina Van Dine



David Walsh



James Warner



Marilyn Werstler

David Zimmerman



Freshmen



The day the Freshmen were initiated by the Seniors, the Freshmen girls were seen in giddish dress and with comically made-up faces during the day. Everytime they saw a Senior girl they met the fate of biting into a lemon. The Freshmen boys were required to honor the Senior boys by bowing on their knees. That evening at the allschool party there were tall tales of a trip to an island told by the girls; the boys made a marriage proposal to some unknown girl. The boys were blind-folded and made to believe that they would jump into a tub of water; but instead, handfuls of water were thrown on them as they made big jumps After fulfilling all these and other ridiculous tasks, they were made full-fledge Pierceton High School students.

Rojean Hass, Karen Method, Marlene Bennett, and Allen Regenos joined the class this year.



CLASS OFFICERS

Jack Horn
(Vice President)
Mr. Rothgeb
(Sponsor)
Kay Leifer
(Sec't.-Treas.)
Roger Leedy
(President)



Jack Anderson



Rosa Lee Barnhart

Marlene Bennett



Don Boggs

Roland Bowman

Judith Brygider

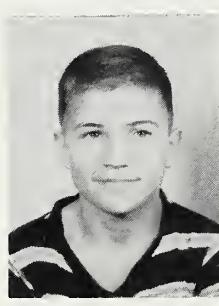
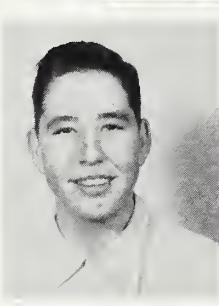


Alice Buntain

Jim Busz

Dan Christoffel

Dick Cole



Vonita Conley

Jim Elder

Sandra Fisher

Rojean Haas



Normalee Henderson

Jack Horn

Anna Jefferson

Max Jones



Sandra Kain

Densel Keener

Gerald Kiser

Sonny LaRue



Judy Lee



Roger Leedy

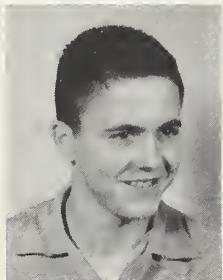
Kay Leifer



Arden Leiter

Phyllis Mahoney

Karen Method



Martin Parker

Richard Rosbrugh

Patty Russell

Romona Santoes



Devon Sellers

Arles Slaven

Rex Slusher

Joan Smith



Beverly Spangle

Charlene Tenney

Lawrence Walls

Jack Warner



Brent Widman

Phyllis Williamson

Cynthia Wilson





Devon Faulkner
 (Vice President)
 Judy Snyder
 (President)
 Becky White
 (Treasurer)
 Jean Roberts
 (Secretary)
 Mrs. Moe
 Miss Studebaker
 (Sponsors)

Eighth



Pat Albert

Velma Albertson

Donald Arms



Edgar Bailey

Jim Baublitt

Cora Bays

Glen Blanchard

Janice Blanchard



Patty Camden

Jan Carter

Paula Casner

Terry Cole

David Conley

Irma Cook



Max Elder



Devon Faulkner

Barbara Fisher

Dianne Gebert



Malveen Hill

Junior Howard

Carlton Jensen

Bill Kain

Susie Keplinger

Mary Kilgore

Richard Kinney

Eddie Lee

Bobby Jo Leifer

Ted Long



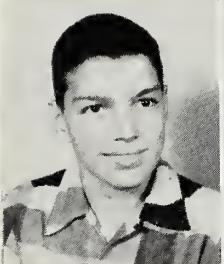
Rex Mast

Charles Morrison

John McFarren

Jack McMeekin

Lynn Pletcher



Alfred Plew

Beth Rider

Jean Roberts

Betty Rutherford

Max Spann



Asenath Shepherd

Joann Shepherd

Barbara Slusher

Judy Snyder

Wendall Walls



Cinda Webster

Jim Werstler

Rebecca White

Gloria Jean Wine

Teddy Zorn





Rex Cole
(Vice President)
Mr. Niles
(Sponsor)
Bob Cole
(President)
Mr. Heaton
John Stouffer
(Sec. and Treas.)

Seventh



George Alexander

Anita Anders

Brenda Arms



Russell Bailey

Jack Beebe

Linden Boggs

Linda Burnworth

Linda Caudill



Rex Cole

Robert Cole

Judy Crouch

Patsy Custer

Janet Danner

Jerry Shultz



Sandra Drudge



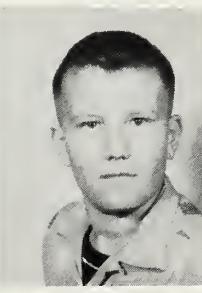
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Elmer Foster
Marvin Galbreath

Diana Gates



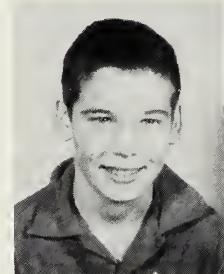
Nancy Harris
Jeanette Homan
Larry Hossler
Cecil Hutcherson

Mary Lou Jones



Michael Mosher

Wayne Phillips



Barbara Plew
Arden Rhoades
Bill Schaller
Donnie Shepherd

Jerry Shultz



Glenda Slaven
Juliana Smith
Linda Steffen
Harriett Steiner

John Stouffer



John Stouffer
Robert Stump
Mary Jane Tenney
Danny Walls
Douglas Walls

Douglas Walls



Larry Walls
Rex Warner
Jo Ann Whitehead
Hilda Wince
Maurice Wise

Sixth



Left to right:

(1st row) Larwill Stump, Robert Griffith, Reuben Conley, Lowell Druley, Larry Banning, Gary Earnhart, Ronald Mast, Barbara Conley, Janice Drudge, Carol Abenante

(2nd row) Brent Leifer, Judy Tenney, Max Cole, Jon Fitzsimmons, Allan Anders, Jerry Rosbrough, Judy Reed, Stanley Pequignot, Bob Wolfe, Rodger Albertson

(3rd row) Karen Kenny, Stewart Miller, Larry Williamson, Dale Wine, Karen Winsley, Diane Bowman, Patsy Horn, Joe Crouch, Jack Keener, Karen Sleighter

(4th row) Buddy Walls, Iona Walls, Maria Martinez, Sally Clevenger, Beth Coble, Susan Beebe, Janice Cutler, Sharon Moe, Becky Pletcher, Alma Morrison, David Mowrey



Mr. Robert Stehman

Fifth



Left to Right:

(1st row) Jerry Hartman, Johnny Scott, Ronald Rhodes, Rose Wiegand
Barbara Williamson, Beth White, Judy Carter, Bobby Danner, Mary
Faulkner, Jeanette Keener, Barbara Steiner.

(2nd row) Janet Noble, Teddy Keener, Janet Crouch, Marcia Lenwell,
Janet Wright, Joan Harris, Cheryl Rosbrugh, Angela Hernandez, San-

(3rd row) Raul Martinez, Eddie Jefferson, Bobby Walls, Stevie Kerr
Alan Dixson, Danny Mowrey, Sereta Fisher, David Jenson, Nancy Trump
Raymond Abenata.



Miss Josephine Dohner

Fourth



Left to right:

(1st row) Stanley Smith, Tommy Flora, Johnny Stump, Rexeen Symonds, Carl Lehman, Max Zorn, Barbara Albertson, Janice Pollock, Allene Phillips, Patrick Abenante, Douglas Rood, Jerry Blanchard
(2nd row) Rickie Derr, William Stump, Jr., Kent Lewis, Patsy Speigle, Henry Whiteman, Amos Stump, Phillip Conley, Sheila Outcelt, Teresa Gates, Lynne Beebe, Lynn Coble, Kay Cain, Terry Hill
(3rd row) Eddie Cotton, Carolyn Cain, Sharon Keplinger, Joan Conley, David LaRue, Nancy Mowrey, James Kilgore, Cheryl Springer, Roy Russel, Phillip Rhoades, Cindy Reed, Susan Biggs



Miss Mary Bryant

Third



Left to right:

(1st row) Priscilla Baker, Carol Ann Henderson, Kenton Grimm, Sandra Cole, Ronnie McClarnon, Rosa Mae Griggs, Jo Ann Abenante, Marlane Stump, Larry Stevens, Michael Caudill.

(2nd row) Terry Kissinger, Carolyn Griffith, Jane Tuttle, Sharon Pequignot, Brenda Bennett, Donna Hanley, Beth Casner, Judy Phillips, Sharon Weaver, Roger Earnhart.

(3rd row) Junior Richmond, Fred Martine, Dee Jay Harris, Richard Wine, Pete Santos, Albert Surfus, Eddie Rhoades, Max Glumac, David May, Patti Niles, Rebecca Gebert.

(4th row) Tom Parker, Howard Barnhart, Raymond Slusher, Bernard Kiser, John Rhoades, Tom Lohr, Manis Miller, Tom Fitzsimmons, Diane Miner, Anita English, Wanda Phillips.



Mrs. Martha Gibson

Second



Left to right:

(1st row) Danny Conley, John Del Toro, Brenda Leedy, Susie Anthony
Rosmary Conley, Hope Phillips, Jackie Harter, Jacqueline Springer,
Donald Bays, Rex Steiner, Chris Reed

(2nd row) Jimmy Flora, Sue Ann Morison, Jack Jefferson, Garth Cone
Roger Hossler, Charles Hubartt, Frank Snyder, Scott Hanley, Sharon
Smith, Phyllis Bolt, Larry Alley, Diane Barnhart

(3rd row) Paulla Dornbos, Judy Harter, Robert Hackbirth, Mike Coyle
Rex Reid, Tamra Menzie, Elbert Russell, Terry Mauzy, Bill Parker
John Noble, Richard Logan, Herbert Wolter



Mrs. Hope Waldeck

First and Second



Left to right:

(1st row) Judy Ann Burkes, Jimmie Collier, Elaine Meeks, Kenneth Pollock, Sharon Zorn, Michael Abenante, Marsha Weaver, Peggy Wolter, Barry Fisher

(2nd row) Butch LaRue, Robert Williamson, Cinda Wright, Gale Danner, Tommy Long, Kathy Burnsworth, Sammy Lehman, Sandra Williamson, Sharon Bryant, Carol Sue Tuttle

(3rd row) Kathy Lenwell, Alan Gradeless, Elbert Hall, Dick Wells, Cynthia Sweetheimer, Charles Clift, Mike Niles, Rita Taylor, Janet Hite, Gary Archer



Mrs. Mauzy



First



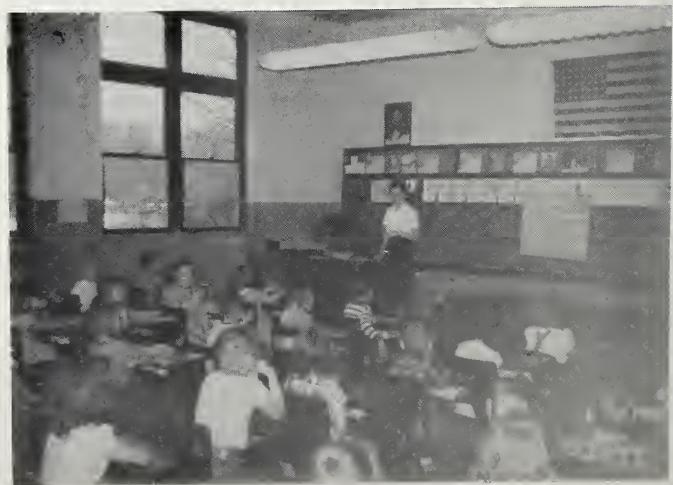
Left to right:

(1st row) Dean Kaiser, John Stevens, Joyce Hite, Gloria Isbell, Janice Parker, Patty Bays, Pansy Baker, Janet Finken, Sharon Steiner, Roger Alley, Jose Martinez.

(2nd row) Linda Bowser, Linda Lohr, Kaye Grime, Carolyn Gebert, Linda Lee Bennett, Judy Williamson, Barbara Kerr, Beverly Tennant, Susan Meeks, Marcia Morrison, Morleen Symonds, Judy Ann Haywood.

(3rd row) Chester Zorn, Cheryl Rager, Tommy Mahoney, David Gradeless, Charles Williams, Laura Stickler, Michael Miner, Mark Hubartt, Bobby Wine, Neal Meloy, Bill Bailey, Jonny Conley.

(Absent-Tony Huff)



Mrs. Lorraine Walsh





Valedictorian
Etta Gruley

Salutatorian
Allen Gebert



Hoosier Girl's State
Barbara Gebert

Hoosier Boy's State
Jim Stouffer



Miss Pierceton

Carol Rhinehart



*Judging
Team*



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Sports

Coaches

Mr. Dick Reed
Junior High Basketball

Mr. Burt Niles
Varsity and
B-team Basketball

Mr. Marvin Heaton
Freshman Basketball

Mr. Richard Rothgeb
Varsity Baseball



Student Mgrs.

Kenny Fawley

Gary Barnes

Bob Baker



B-Team Cheerleaders



Phyllis Williamson Judy Stouffer Sandra Brubaker



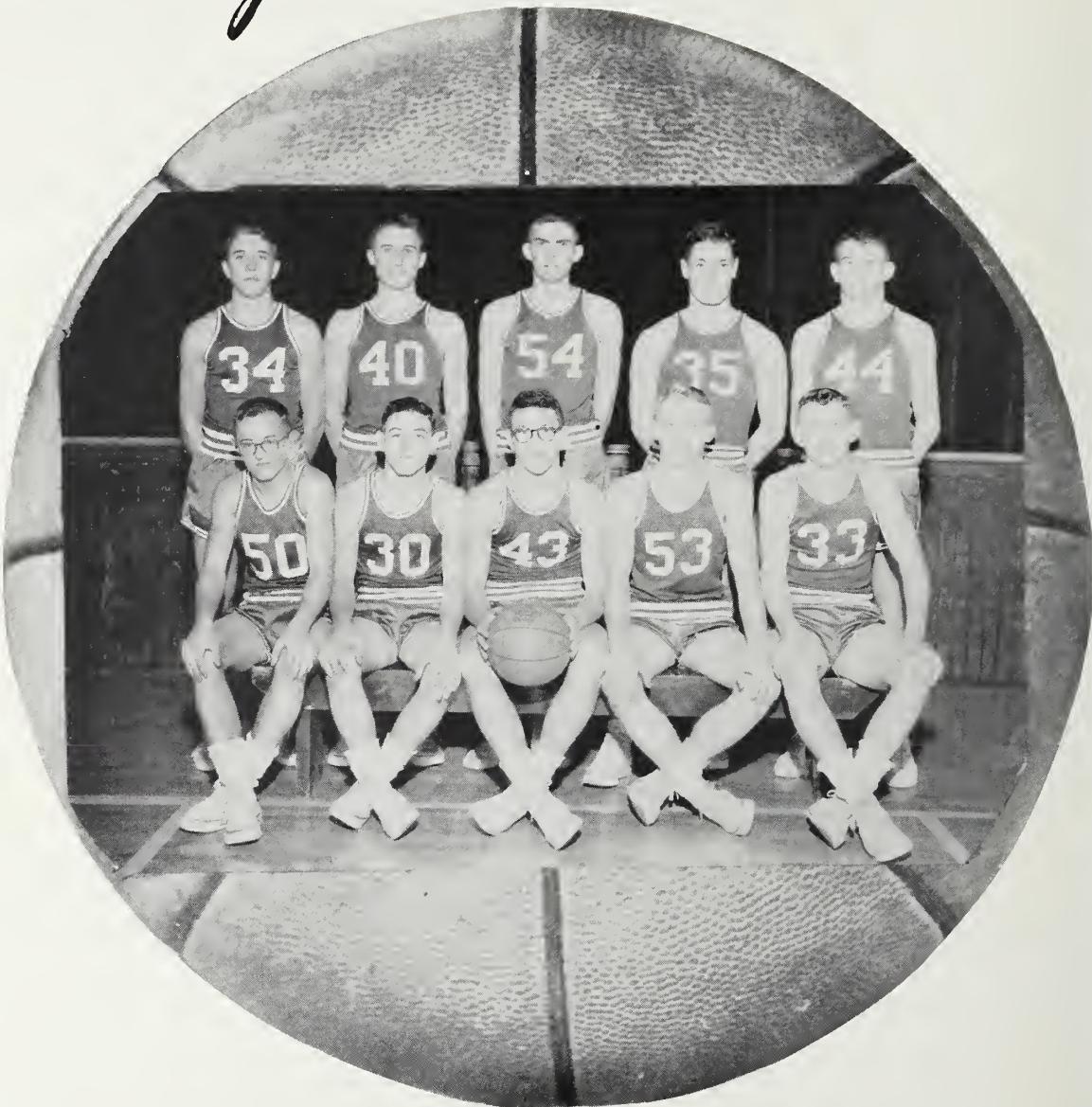
Varsity Cheerleaders

Barbara Drudge

Norman Spangle

Carol Hathaway

Varsity



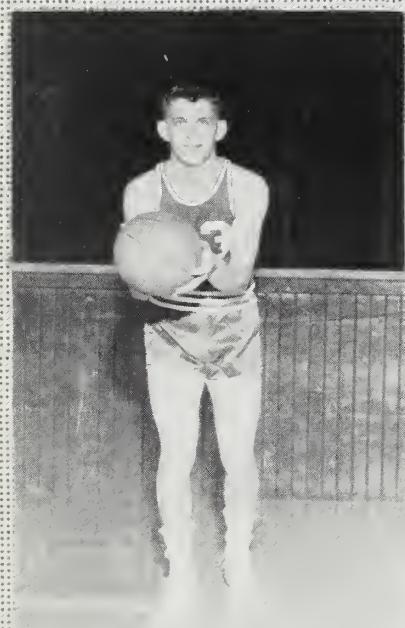
(Seated) Bertis Gebert, Rex Mort, Jim Watters, Jack Sellers,
Ted Tinkey
(Standing) Tim Derf, Jim Stouffer, Terry Faris, Dick Slusher,
Bob Crouch

The Pierceton Cubs have turned out a successful season. They will enter the Sectional Tournament with a 16-6 record. The Cubs started the season with winning the first two games. Columbia City defeated the Cubs in the third game, but Pierceton bounced back to win the next three games before going into a losing streak. The Cubs started to improve by tourney time and they ventured to the final game before they were nosed out by Silver Lake in the last seconds of the game. The Cubs finished their regular season play with "flying colors". The Cubs will meet Leesburg in their opening game of the Sectional Tourney.

Chester Panthers 44

Perceton Cubs 64

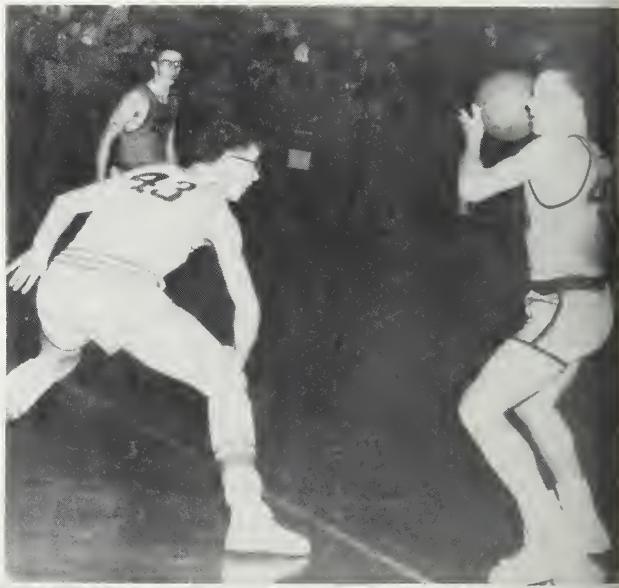




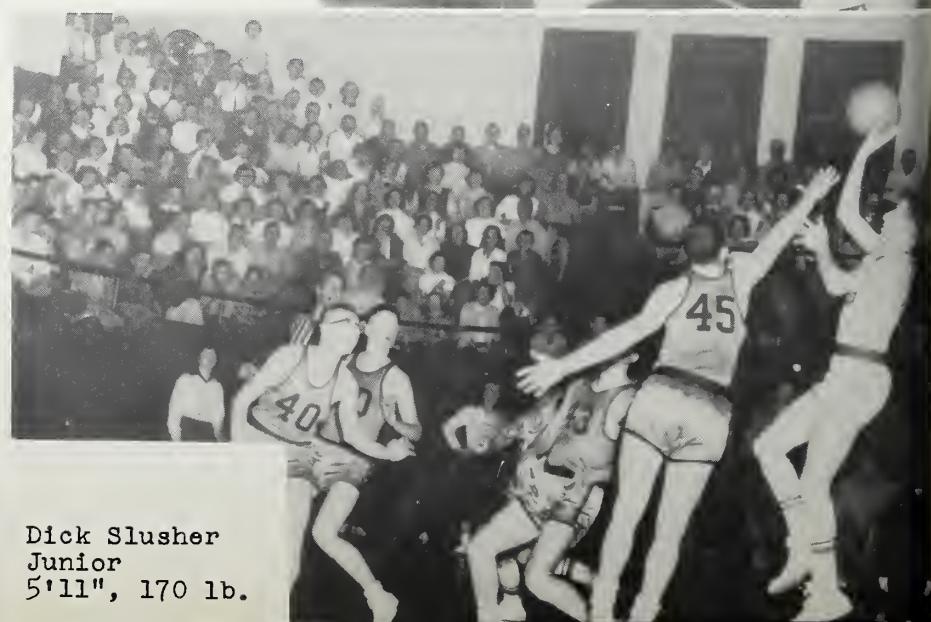
Terry Faris
Senior
6'1", 152 lb.

Jim Stouffer
Senior
5'11", 151 lb.

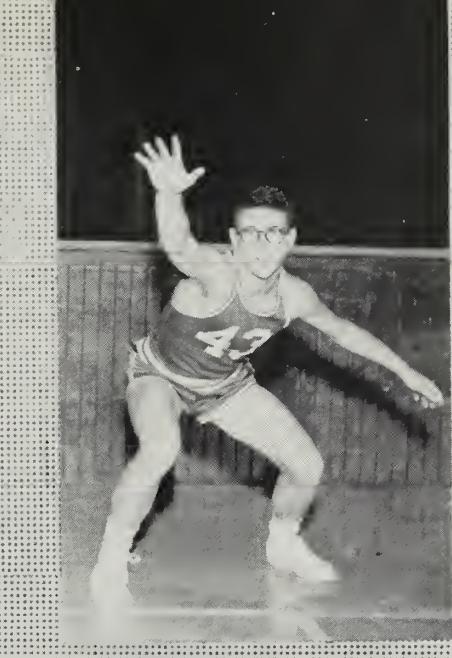
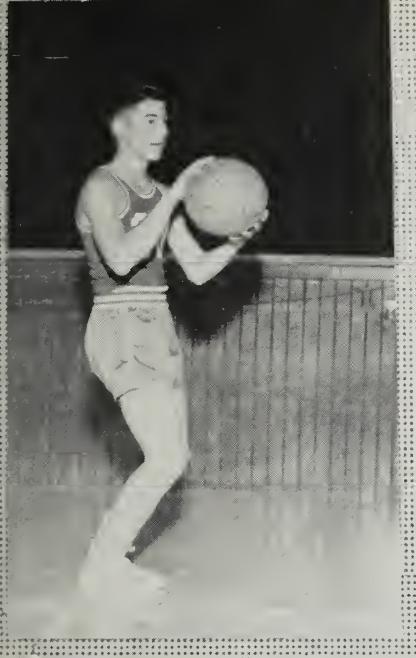
Bert Gebert
Junior
5'7", 124 lb.



Ted Tinkey
Senior
5'9", 142 lb.



Dick Slusher
Junior
5'11", 170 lb.



Rex Mort
Junior
5'6", 120 lb.

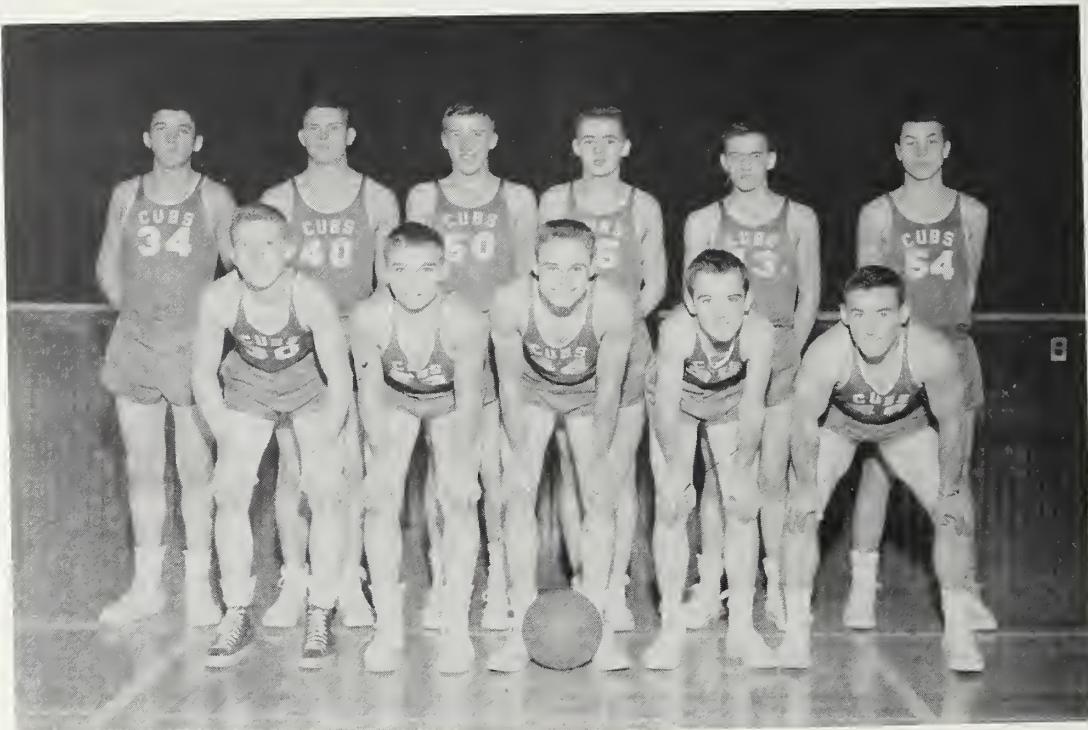
Jim Watters
Junior
5'10", 149 lb.

SCHEDULE

<u>Oppoents</u>	<u>We</u>	<u>They</u>	
Leesburg	66	53	Tim Derf Junior 5'11", 141 lb.
Syracuse	74	67	
Columbia City	38	62	
Beaver Dam	68	41	
Atwood	53	38	
South Whitley	54	53	
Warsaw	54	57	Bob Crouch Senior 5'11", 145 lb.
Milford	50	56	
Silver Lake	45	77	
Mentone	48	47	
Claypool	61	36	
Etna Green	49	50	
County Tourney			
Milford	55	45	
Mentone	48	42	
Silver Lake	54	56	
North Manchester	54	42	
Chester	64	44	
Sidney	72	50	
North Webster	63	57	
Akron	65	59	Larry Slusher Sophomore 6', 160 lb.
Albion	53	43	



B-Team



(Row 1) Bill Barnhart, Bob Tenney, Cecil Kissinger, Opie Parker, Jim Rutherford

(Row 2) Bob Leiter, Richard Williamson, David Zimmerman, Estil Kissinger, Roger Conley, Rex Rhinehart

SCHEDULE

<u>Opponents</u>	<u>We</u>	<u>They</u>
Leesburg	36	39
Syracuse	33	43
Columbia City	46	38
Beaver Dam	66	18
Atwood	46	40
Warsaw	24	25
Milford	30	29
Silver Lake	44	24
Mentone	20	39
Claypool	49	18
Etna Green	37	39
North Manchester	39	24
Chester	54	30
Four Way Tourney		
So. Whitley	35	22
Col. City	43	34
Sidney	67	33
North Webster	32	35
Akron	54	35
Albion	43	27

The second team came through with a successful season. The team got off to a bad start by losing their first two games, but they came back to end the season with a 14-6 record. During the season they ventured to Columbia City to bring back a 4-way tourney victory. The Cubs show valuable prospects for future seasons.

Freshmen



Left to right:

Sonny Larue, Rex Slusher, Max Jones, Arden Lieter, Roger Leedy, Jack Hern, Gerald Kaiser, Rex Cole, Martin Parker.

SCHEDULE

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>We</u>	<u>They</u>
Bourbon	50	26
North Webster	37	20
Huntington	25	28
Syracuse	34	21
Chester	62	23
Manchester	49	32
Warsaw	36	29
Columbia City	43	30
Four Way Tourney		
Rochester	37	22
Huntington	46	25
South Whitley	33	22
Ligonier	48	33
Akron	53	29
Wabash	42	34
Albion	48	32

The Freshman squad ended a very successful season with a 15-1 record. The Cubs won their first two games and lost their third game. The Cubs then finished the season without a defeat. The Cubs won a 4 way tourney by defeating Rochester in the first round and then they defeated Huntington to bring back the victory.

Baseball



(Row 1) Tim Derf, Bertis Gebert, Bob Baker

(Row 2) Tom Kilgore, Rex Slusher, Kenny Fawley, Jim Watters, Jack Horn

(Row 3) Opie Parker, David Zimmerman, Rex Rhinehart, Bob Crouch, Darrell Mort, Gary Barnes mgr, Dick Slusher, Jim Stouffer, Bob Tenney, Paul Smith



The PHS baseball team was again the runnerup to the country champs.

The Cubs went all the way through the regular season without losing a game. In the County tournament they were beaten by the Milford ballclub after 14 grueling innings of baseball. These 14 innings were played at three different times, however.

The two teams met at the Syracuse diamond with a cloudy sky threatening to burst at almost any second. The Cubs took a 3-run lead early in the opening innings, but could not get in the required 5 innings before the rain began to fall.

The two teams met again to start a brand new ballgame. Again they were rained out with neither team scoring.

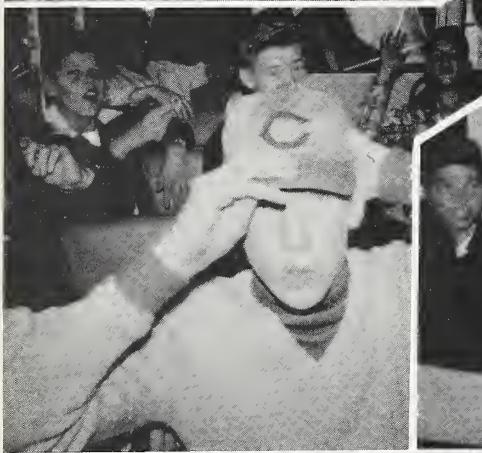
The third time they met, the Milford team got the first run, the only run they got during the entire campaign, but also the only run they needed to beat Pierceton and capture the county championship.

The Cubs look forward to a fine season again next year, and are going to try to bring the baseball championship to Pierceton and a fine coach, Dick "Itchy" Rothgeb.

Jim Stouffer



Baseball trip to Chicago





Track



April 7.	Huntington	1st
	South Whitley	2nd
	Pierceton	3rd
	Manchester	4th
April 9.	Pierceton	1st
	Manchester	2nd
April 12.	Pierceton	1st
	Larwill	2nd
	Chester	3rd
April 15.	Pierceton	1st
	Milford	2nd
	Bourbon	3rd
April 20.	Pierceton	1st
	N. Webster	2nd
	Etna Green	3rd
April 30.	COUNTY TOURNEY	
	Pierceton	1st
	N. Webster	2nd
	CONVERSE RELAYS	
	Pierceton	3rd

The track team turned out a very good performance in the spring of '54. They ended the season with a 6-1 record and came in third place at the converse relays. One of the highlights of the season was the winning of the county track tournament. During the meet, George Winsley broke the 440 yard dash record by .6 seconds. The old record was 53.8 and the new record is 53.2. The winners are as follows:

1st place:	Winsley-	100, 220, 440 yd. dashes
		Mile relay team
		$\frac{1}{2}$ mile relay team
2nd place:	Stouffer-	Broad jump
	Dorf-	Mile run
3rd place:	Dorf-	$\frac{1}{2}$ mile run
	Conley-	$\frac{1}{2}$ mile run
	Slusher-	100 yd. dash
4th place:	Mort &	
	Ulrey-	Tie in pole vaulting



Jim Watters, Cecil Kissinger
Jack Sellers, Terry Faris

George Winsley,
new record holder
of county 440
yard dash.
Time-53.2 sec.

*County
Champs*

Cross Country



(Row 1) Danny Christoffel, Gerald Kaiser, Martin Parker, Dick Cole
(Row 2) Jim Warner, Jack Sellers, Bob Leiter, Bill Barnhart
Denton Habegger, Roger Leedy, Rex Mort
(Row 3) Jim Busz, Max Jones, Roger Conley, Arden Leiter, Richard
Williamson, Terry Faris John Slusher, Ted Tinkey, Cecil Kissinger
Don Boggs

Jr. High



(Back row) Ted Long, Alfred Plew, Larry Walls, Donald Arms, Lynn Fletcher, Max Spann.

(Front row) Terry Cole, Jimmy Werstler, John Stouffer, John McFarren, Devon Faulkner

SCHEDULE

<u>Opponents</u>	<u>We</u>	<u>They</u>
North Webster	24	52
Milford	29	38
Syracuse	23	31
Columbia City	24	51
Leesburg	22	25
Warsaw	16	33
Sidney	24	34
North Webster	21	36
Syracuse	30	21
North Webster	24	35
Leesburg	44	36
Sidney	16	15

The Jr. High team got off on a slow start by losing their first 8 games. Then the Cubs found their mark and were able to come through with a 9-3 record. The Cubs played in a 4-way tourney, but were unable to win the championship, having been defeated by Wolf Lake.

The second team of the Jr. High were unable to get a good start, but they ended the season with an 8-3 record.



Activities

Basketball Queen



Rosalie Hartman

Retiring Queen

Shirley
McConnell



Coronation



Sophomore
Attendant

Sandra
Brubaker

Freshmen
attendant

Kay
Leifer



*Eighth Grade
Attendant*

*Barbara
Fisher*



*Seventh Grade
Attendant*

*Linda
Caudill*



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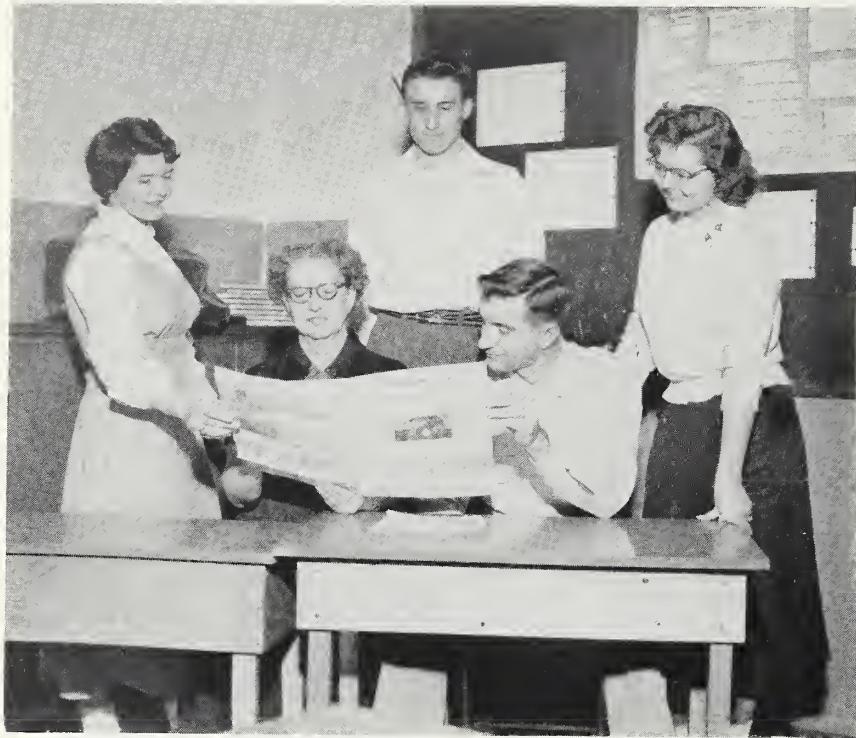
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(Row 2) Barbara Van Dine, Rojean Haas, Etta Druley, Rosalie Hartman, Sue Henderson, Marietta Drudge, Anita Outcelt, Mariley Slaymaker, Pat Walsh, Pearl Widman, Judy Stouffer, Kay Leifer, Diane Gebert, Linden Boggs

(Row 3) Jim Warner, Bob Snyder, Lynn Fletcher, Dwight Walgamuth, Tom Kilgore, David Zimmerman, Ted Tinkey, Bob Crouch, Max Jones, Jack Warner, Bernt Widman, George Alexander, Danny Christoffel, Jack Beebe, Director Robert J. Smith

The PHS Band, under the direction of Robert Smith, has participated in many parades, contests, and high school band days during the past year. In the fall, we attended band days at both Manchester College and Purdue University. The Halleck Day Parade, Mermaid Festival, Warsaw Centennial, and our Halloween parade were some of the parades where Pierceton passed in review. We won fifty dollars in prize money for parade marching.

A new bass horn and a baritone were purchased by the band. Technic classes were something on the "new" list this year, too. Each individual group practiced one hour a week besides regular rehearsal time. Ensembles such as clarinet trios, the woodwind quartet, trumpet trios, saxophone quartet, a drum ensemble, a trombone duet, and a baritone duet grew out of these technic classes. These ensembles all participated in the District Music Contest at Fort Wayne

Our winter band concert was presented December 8. The program was highlighted by Sousa Marches, Christmas selections, and an arrangement of "Porgy and Bess" by George Gershwin. The spring concert will be held May 6.

The Band did its usual performing at basketball games and for the Queen's coronation. We helped our with music at the Student Council programs. The band enjoys playing for you , so keep behind us.

Concert Formation



Majorettes

Sandra Brubaker, Cynthia Wilson, Carol Hathaway,
Barbara Drudge, Barbara Bowman

Mixed Choir



Left to right:

(Row 1) Sue Henderson, Charlotte Steiner, Ina Van Dine, Shirley McConnel, Marilyn Slaymaker, Dorothy Bowman, Pearl Widman, Margaret Finton, Cynthia Meima, Mary Ann Birtwhistle, Etta Druley
(Row 2) Barbara Van Dine, Sandra Brubaker, Judy Stouffer, Barbara Bowman, Marva Knoop, Melba Rhoades, Dorothy Steffen, Denyse Bolt, Betty Wertenberger, Linda Rider, Pat Walsh, Mr. Smith
(Row 3) Paul Smith, Denton Habagger, Bob Tenny, Max Jones, Tom Kilgore, Rex Rhinehart, David Walsh, Ted Tinkey
(Row 4) James Warner, Bob Snyder, David Zimmerman, Dick Slusher, Bob Crouch, Tim Derf, Murvel Whitehead, Dwight Walgamuth

The first big day for our PHS Choir was the County Choral Festival on November 14. The Choral Festival was held at Pierceton this year with our choir acting as host. Prof. Clyde Holsinger, from Manchester College, directed the mass chorus of approximately five hundred voices.

At Thanksgiving time, the choir blended their voices in sacred song, singing at the Community Thanksgiving service held at the Presbyterian Church. After Thanksgiving, The Christmas Concert was next on the list. The selections of Christmas music were presented on December 12. The chorus members caroled in Pierceton following the concert.

April 2 will be contest day for the choir. This will be held at Columbia City. Our choir will present three numbers on which they will be judged.

Girl's Chorus



Row 1) Elaine Roberts, Carol Hathaway, Phyllis Williamson, Sandra
ain, Judith Brygider, Julia Ratliff, Judy Lee, Sandra Fisher

Row 2) Norma Henderson, Rosalie Hartman, Cynthia Wilson, Charlene
enney, Jeanette Keplinger, Clara Baker, Janet Smith, Rachael Shene
ield

Row 3) Marilyn Werstler, Carol Rhinehart, Patty Russell, Kay
eifer, Barbara Gebert, Marlene Bennett, June Carrothers, Pat Walsh

Boy's Chorus



(Row 1) Donnie Sellers, Richard Phillips, Kenneth Fawley, Bertis
Gebert, Jim Busz, Brent Widman, Danny Christoffel

(Row 2) Donald Drudge, Jerry Anders, James Hackbirth, Jack Sellers
Burl Knoop, Ted Tinkey, Jim Crouch

(Row 3) Bill O'Dell, John Slusher, Danny Elder, Sonny La Rue, Jack
Bolinger, Darrell Mort, Roland Bowman

PHLC



(Seated) June Carrothers, Margaret Finton, Marietta Drudge, Mary Ann Birtwhistle

(Standing) Miss Yontz, Linda Rider, Virginia Rosbrugh, Pat Leckrone, Darlene Stahl, Jackie Smith, Ruthene Howard, Elaine Roberts



The Library Club, organized several years ago, has been a great credit to our school. The girls do many things to give the students a wealth of information. Processing the new books for both Monroe and Pierceton is one of the duties of the club. This process consists of breaking the books, inserting cards and date slips, marking backs, and filing them in their respective places. Another duty is to make bulletin board displays each month. Along with these tasks, each girl is assigned certain duties for one week.

On Wednesdays, the club meets as a class during school hours.

Aside from all their work, the club finds time for fun. Three parties were held; a picnic at the Flowing Well and a ride on the dixie, another picnic at Ducky Long's cottage, and the high light, a dinner party at Miss Yontz's home.

The school can be proud to know that all of these girls are members of the High School Librarian's Association.

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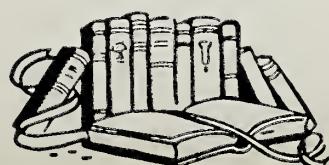


Seated - Marva Knoop, Mr. Meitzler, Barbara Bowman, Miss Bryant
Standing - Bob Snyder, Pearl Widman, Jim Warner, Judy Stouffer,
Dave Walsh, Carol Snyder, Sue Henderson, Pat Walsh, Dorothy
Steffen, Uldis Smidchens, Phil McFarren, Larry Cole

The Future Teachers under the direction of Miss Bryant and Mr. Meitzler have completed an interesting year of being "teacher's little helpers". The FTA members help grade papers, keep study halls, sub for absent teachers, tear tests, or doing little odd jobs to help out the teachers.

During the last semester the club started a milk program selling white milk for one cent and chocolate for two cents. The students all seemed to enjoy the mid-morning snack.

We hope to gain more Future Teachers next year.



Pep Band



Left to right:

(1st row) Rosalie Hartman, Barbara Van Dine, Pearl Widman,
Diane Gebert, Kay Leifer
(2nd row) Lynn Pletcher, Dwight Walgamuth, Brent Widman, Max
Jones, Pat Walsh, Tom Kilgore, Director

Our basketball team has been greatly stimulated by our newly organized pep band. Our pep band adds spark and color to all our basketball games. Under the direction of Tom Kilgore, these eleven musicians have proven themselves worthy of the name "Pep Band".



Snapshaters



Seated - Pearl Widman, Mr. Meitzler, Larry Cole
Standing - Susie Galbreath, Elaine Roberts, Carol Snyder,
Norma Henderson, Kay Leifer, Sandra Salman, Brent Widman,
Larry Leedy, Dorothy Bowman, Rosalie Hartman
Not pictured - Etta Druley and Barbara Van Dine

A high school student stopped Mr. Meitzler in the hall of P.H.S. and asked that a camera club be organized. That is the story of the beginning of the club.

The members of the club are those who have cameras and those who are interested in photography.

Next year the Snapshaters plan to aid in taking pictures for the year book.

The first meeting of the club was called on January 31, and the following officers were elected; president, Dorothy Bowman; vice president, Pearl Widman; secretary, Sandra Salman; treasurer, Carol Snyder.

After a short discussion, the members planned to name their club the "Pierceton High School Snapshaters".



Student Council



(Seated) Michael Mosher, Sandra Brubaker, Norma Henderson, Rachael Shenefield, Linda Caudill, Barbara Fisher, Max Spann
(Standing) Larry Leedy, Max Jones, Bob Baker, Allen Gebert, Jim Stouffer, Larry Cole, Etta Druley, Mr. Rothgeb

The Student Council had many "irons in the fire" this year as they worked energetically promoting funds for a new and larger trophy case in the community building. Don Lane's Cavalcade of Stars was the feature money raising program. Free tickets were given to all the Pierceton and Monroe students. A profit of around \$800 was estimated. The funds remaining were to be disposed of by student choice, either in purchasing choir robes, playground equipment or a camera for the newly organized Camera Club.

The Student Council also sponsored the Basketball Queen Coronation and helped with the dance after the Silver Lake Coronation and helped with the dance after the Silver Lake game. Two school parties, sponsored by the Student Council, were held this year.

Thespians



Seated - Betty Wertenberger, Miss Studebaker
Standing - Barbara Van Dine, Marietta Drudge, Dorothy Steffen,
Barbara Bowman, Bob Snyder, Merlene Wertenberger, Jim Stouffer,
Barbara Gebert, Carol Rhinehart

Pep Hop Society

Dance, Dance, Dance, any one for a dance? The preceding seems to be the motto for the Pep Hop Society. This club is (you guessed it) a dance club, composed of Sophomore girls. These ambitious girls have sponsored two dances this school year. The first being after the coronation of the basketball queen. Before this big event, free dancing lessons were given to any student desiring to learn. The last dance was in honor of the varsity, managers, cheerleaders, and, of course, Mr. Niles. Mr. Niles was crowned King of Hearts, and Mrs. Niles was crowned Queen of Hearts.



Left to right:

Thelma Conley, Carol Snyder, Julia Camden, Julia Ratliff, Marva Knoop, Rachael Shenefield, Joy Fawley, Ina Van Dine, Janet Smith, Judy Stouffer, Sandra Salman, Marilyn Werstler, Sandra Brubaker, Charlotte Steiner

FHA



(Row 1) Carol Hathaway, Barbara Van Dine, Sandra Kain, Rachael Shenefield, Pat Leckrone, Anna Mae Jefferson, Rosalie Barnhart, Charlotte Steiner, Sandra Brubaker

(Row 2) Etta Druley, Marilyn Slaymaker, Carol Rhinehart, Judy Stouffer, Cynthia Wilson, Phyllis Williamson, Joy Fawley, Judith Brygider, Judy Lee, Sandra Fisher

(Row 3) Mrs. Moe, Barbara Gebert, Janet Smith, Ina Van Dine, Patty Russell, Marilyn Werstler, June Carrothers, Beverly Spangle, Charlene Tenney, Alice Buntain

(Row 4) Norma Henderson, Kay Leifer, Carol Snyder, Marva Knoop, Sandra Salman, Merlene Wertenberger, Dorothy Steffen, Marlene Bennett, Marietta Durdge, Linda Rider, Betty Wertenberger, Barbara Bowman

The Future Homemakers of America have accomplished much this year and have had their share of good times. The officers, members, and advisor are working toward being an honor chapter. This can only be done with the cooperation of each member. The Pierceton F. H. A. girls have enthusiasm to improve their fine record and become an honor chapter.

One of the social highlights of the year was the annual F.H.A.-F.F.A. party. The girls served a chili supper, then treated the boys to a show at Warsaw.

The officers of the Pierceton Chapter are: Etta Druley, President; Sandra Brubaker, Vice president; Betty Wertenberger, Secretary; Barbara Van Dine, Treasurer. Sandra Brubaker and Sandra Salman were delegates from Pierceton for district F.H.A. officers.

In February, the Chapter sponsored a George Washington Bake Sale. This is a sample of the work and play of our Pierceton Chapter of Future Homemakers of America!



FFA

(Row 1) Brent Widman, Richard Rosburgh, Rex Mort, James Warner, Mr. Richard Reed(Sponsor), Roger Leedy, Jack Warner, Gerald Kaiser, Dick Cole

(Row 2) Donnie Boggs, Donnie Sellers, Calvin Carlin, Phillip McFarren, Kenny Fawley, Jack Sellers, Burl Knoop, Jack Phillips, Jim Busz, Dan Christoffel

(Row 3) Ellis Shepherd, Bob Leiter, Richard Williamson, Arles Slaven, Terry Faris, Jim Hackbirth, Roland Bowman, David Zimmerman, Arden Leiter, Murvel Whitehead, Jack Bolinger

GAA



(First Row) Darlene Stahl, Rachael Shenefield, Barbara Drudge, Joan Smith, Pat Leckrone, Anna Mae Jefferson, Rosalie Barnhart, Charlotte Steiner, Sandra Brubaker.

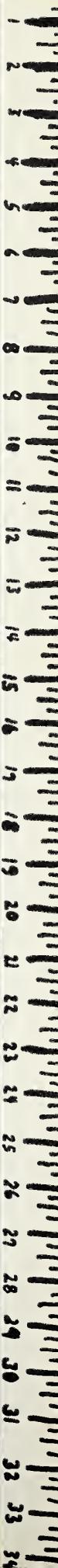
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(Third Row) Mrs. Lenwell, Vera Cole, Mary Ann Birtwhistle, Carol Snyder, Denyse Bolt, Marva Knoop, Marilyn Werstler, June Carrothers, Virginia Rosbrugh, Beverly Spangle, Charlene Tenney, Alice Buntain.

(Fourth Row) Ruthéne Howard, Carol Rhinehart, Barbara Gebert, Melba Rhodes, Connie Morrison, Dorothy Bowman, Sandra Salmon, Merlene Wertenberger, Marlene Bennett, Marietta Drudge, Linda Rider, Betty Wertenberger, Barbara Bowman.

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Bob Lester Velma Frances Albertson Bert Brook Jack Sellers
Dick Shlesher Dick Henderson Bert Brook Jack Sellers
Donovan Sellers Bob Denney Marvin Skymaker Jim Wallace
Jack Hartman David Zimmerman Pearl Kidman Bert Gilbert
Herm John Monroe Rosalie Hartman Alice Keeler
Bard Gedert Julie Gatzoff George Stahl June Carter
John Monroe Anita Putsalt Bert Richard Pottger
W. F. Meitzler Sandra Brubaker Vere Cole Eddie Sutherland
Tim Desf Barbara Brudage Rex Mort Melvyn Douglas
Mabel Conley Jerry Stoffel Roger Leedy Robert Wilson
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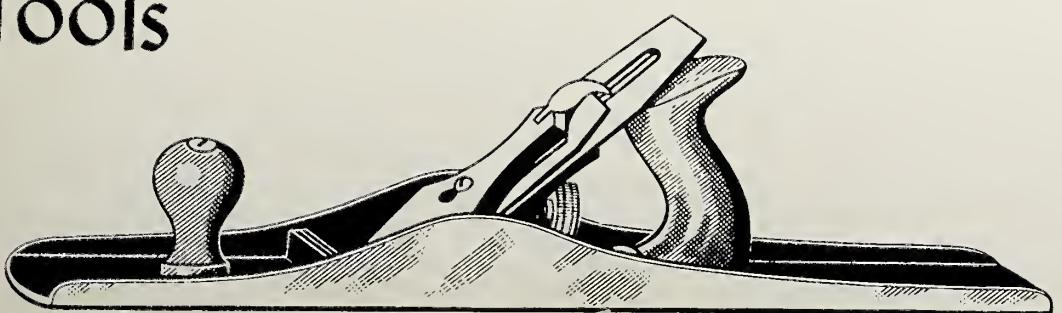
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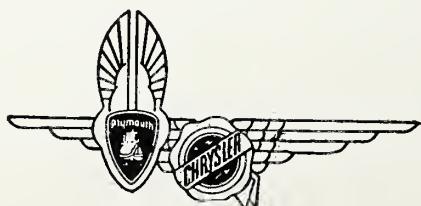


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